

PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT EMERGENCY EXTENSION

Agency/Subagency U.S. Department of Education/Federal Student Aid	OMB control number 1845-0005
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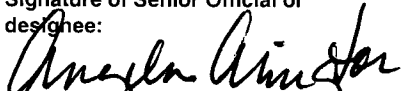
Current Record		New Record**
Expiration date	01/2009 month year	02/2009 month year

Reason for emergency extension request

This IC expires January 31, 2009 and the 60-day comment period ends on January 26. The National Council of Higher Education Loan Programs (NCHELP) has advised the Department of Education (the Department) that they plan to submit comments on the 8 separate forms that are cleared under 1845-0005, and has asked if it would be possible to extend the 60-day comment period by an additional 8-10 days.

The Department would like to grant NCHELP's request for a limited extension of the 60-day comment period, but this would be possible only if the currently approved collection is extended beyond January 31. Even if NCHELP were to submit their comments by January 26, Federal Student Aid (FSA) would need additional time beyond the current January 31 expiration date to review the comments and make any necessary changes to the forms.

For the reasons explained above, we are requesting a 30-day extension of the currently approved collection. An extension of the expiration date to February 28, 2009 will allow FSA to approve NCHELP's request for a brief extension of the 60-day comment period and will provide sufficient time for FSA to review the comments and submit revised forms to OMB for the final 30-day comment period prior to the new expiration date.

Signature of Senior Official or designee: 	Date: 1-14-09	For OIRA Use _____ _____ _____
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**Three month maximum allowed from current expiration date.
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